Remarks

The applicant has amended claim 1 to bring in concrete, tangible aspects – providing a feedback receiving device that accumulates feedback pulses, and providing an event counting device to determine the quantity of feedback pulses accumulated during a sampling period.

Claim 2 has been amended in a similar fashion to bring in providing a clock device that produces a clock signal. Each of these amendments addresses the 101 objection. Accordingly, claims 1-8 are allowable. The application is thus in condition for allowance.

If for any reason this Response is found to be incomplete, or if at any time it appears that a telephone conference with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned in Westborough, Massachusetts, (508) 898-1501.

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